

PhilMont Mobile Radio Club

The BLURB



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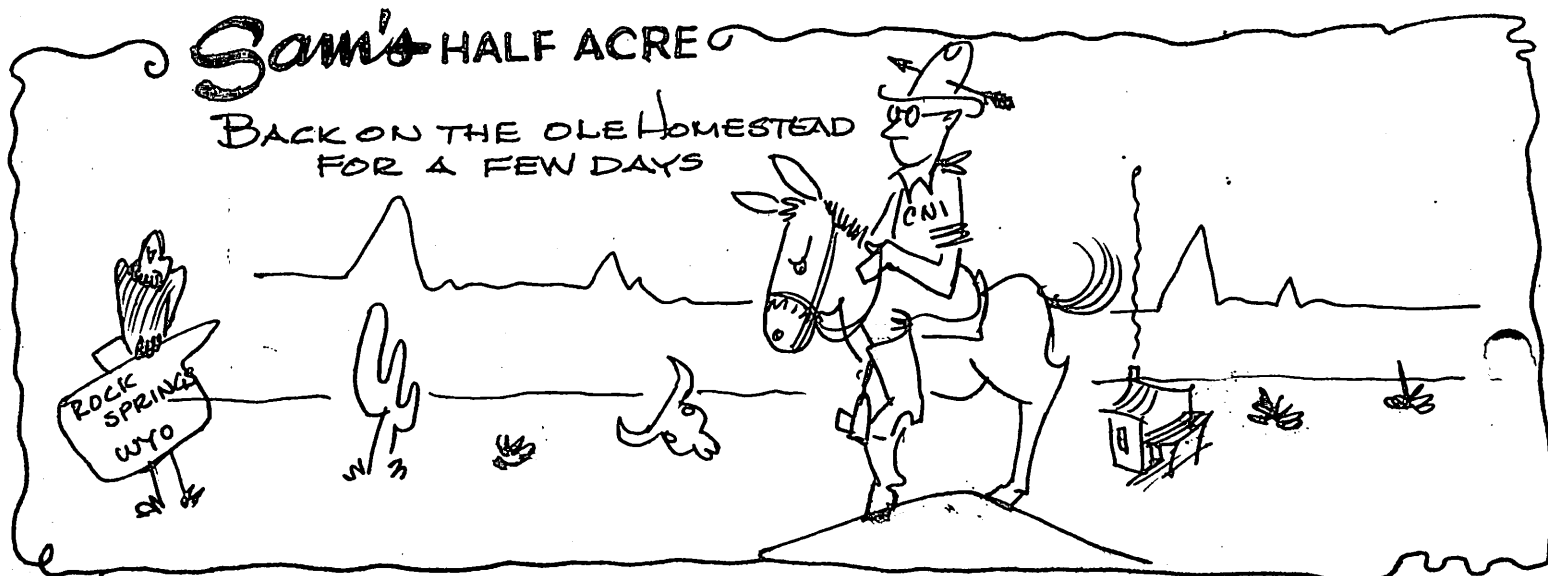
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CLUB NET & FREQUENCIES

29.493mc-1000 Sunday (10-on-10) monitored daily; 29.626mc 2nd Freq.; 3993kc.
SSB-0730-0845 daily; 50.7mc; 52.525mc(FM); 147.78mc.



THE PREZ SEZ

I'm writing this during the era of the political campaigns and have been put to mind of the fact that it won't be long before a nominating committee will be charged with the task of selecting a slate of officers for 1969. Perhaps this is a bit premature, but I would suggest that we all give some thought to those we would prefer to have as the next leaders of Philmont.

As a further suggestion, give some thought to yourself. There is an outside chance that the spare tire you are developing around the middle may be caused, in part, by the lack of activity. What a great chance to trim down, worry a little, and have a bundle of fun trying out some of those ideas regarding activities or whatever on Philmont. The pay isn't much but the challenge is tempting.

Think it over. Take the plunge! Become a candidate. And don't worry unduly. You may be lucky and loose.

73, W3KN

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THE EDITOR'S VIEW

It was suggested to ED, by one of Phil-Mont's prolific (Would you believe notorious?) letter-writers, that the BLURB should encourage letters to the Editor. While it was the policy of this paper in the past, through K3KUD, to solicit letters for publication, as far as I know there was never any deluge of them as one might expect the editors of the Bulletin or the Inky get. Of course the BLURB does not have to concern itself with clogged sewers, urban renewal, centennial celebrations, and Mayor Tate the way the big sheets do, but we often do have some controversial topics that would lend themselves to an airing in the club Journal. Some members who cannot get to our meetings might want to let us know their views on club operation. Or, maybe a letter will help somebody let off steam and give the rest of us a laugh.

To be sure, most letters-to-the-Editor generate more heat than light, but if we can snare one good idea from ten letters, the Club is ahead. Therefore, it will be the policy of the BLURB to encourage members of Phil-Mont (or their wives) to submit letters pertaining to the Club or amateur radio for publication. Now, what have you got to say for yourself?

PHIL-MONT CALENDAR

Monday October 7 Regular Meeting, Franklin Institute
Program: Auction, W3VVS

Tuesday October 15 Deadline for November BLURB material.

Wednesday October 16 Mid-month Meeting at K3NYL

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AUGUST MID-MONTH MEETING AT W3WXC

Only nine members showed up at the new QTH of W3WXC to conduct our late-summer business. WA3IHV and WA3JNC were approved as regular members. The auction coming in October was discussed; W3VVS will be one of the auctioneers and W3QQH will help with equipment set-up and general organization. Another auctioneer is being sought.

It was decided to definitely NOT have a club banquet this year. Since the banquet was the traditional time to make various awards, W3VVS announced that voting for awards would take place at the November meeting, and presentation would be at the December regular meeting. W3AHP said he would organize an impromptu dinner later this year.

W3QZO jumped the gun on his September editorial by opening discussion on the plan to have the Membership Committee maintain an accurate list of members and publish a Directory on a bi-yearly basis.

W3QQH signed up mobiles to participate in the forthcoming model airplane contest.

There was a short discussion on the need for a better printing press for BLURB publication, then the meeting wound up in the Klein dining room where Shelly served delicious lemon cake and Boston creme pie.

Sidelights of the evening were visits to Dick's new panelled study and shack, and a demonstration of his Heathkit FM stereo receiver.

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AUCTION SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER REGULAR MEETING

The annual auction, this year sadly without our late friend W3WNC, will take place in October. PMRC gets ten percent of the sale price with a \$5.00 maximum. If the seller decides he isn't getting what he thinks his item is worth, he can bid for it himself, and then pays only a 10% or \$1.00 maximum commission. Some interesting items usually show up at the auctions and it is strange to see some really good stuff go for peanuts while a piece of junk rates hot bidding and a high price! Join the fun.

MEMBER PROFILE: WA3DMR

Frederick M. Bauer, WA3DMR has been a ham since November 1966 and in Phil-Mont since 1967. He is quite a youngster in PMRC, as the average membership goes, but a very interesting one.

It goes like this: His mother married Bill's (K3HIE) father some $4\frac{1}{2}$ years ago. So what with Bill and Brad (W3QV), Fred just had to become a ham. For the first step he was supplied with a monitor receiver for Channel 1, and after listening to the frequency and 10-on-10 for a year and a half you can bet it was a thrill when Fred signed into the net for the first time. Fred has this date specially marked down: 13 Nov 66, W3WXC NCS, station #50 - a red letter day for Fred (more to the point a red letter day for Phil-Mont, as we all know now!)

Fred plays percussion in the Bucks County Symphony Orchestra and his wife, Jane, plays the oboe and English horn. They give about five concerts a year, one of which is for children.

Fred went to Charles Morris Price School of Advertising for four years, to Temple for two years (English and Psychology), and to Penn for one year at night where he majored in English. He intends to go back to Penn when through travelling for his firm, N.W. Ayers Advertising Company. They moved some of their accounts that Fred was associated with, namely News Week, DeBeers (industrial diamonds) and Steinway Piano, to New York.

Because he has so little to do (ha) he has an article in the Bucks County Life Magazine called Photo Essay. He wrote and directed five commercial movies for Standard Pressed Steel, one of which included the Secretary to the President, and do you know what? - she became Fred's wife! Jane is not only an accomplished musician, but when Fred went to New York she finished an all-band VFO kit for him. He hopes she will get a ham ticket eventually but he is too busy travelling to help much now.

NOW here it comes: For relaxation Fred flies KITES - how about that. He thinks more people should and somehow I think he's right.

de W3OWK

A.M.A. MODEL AIRPLANE MEET

Nine Phil-Monters gathered at Johnsville Naval Air Station, near Hatboro, Pa., on the hottest day of the year, August 25, to aid in the collection of wayward model aircraft from the annual Academy of Model Aeronautics Free-flight contest. Our communications bus was on hand at 0900 and set up using commercial power. By 1000 our spotters began reporting free-flight models going over the fence and W3AUF and W3GIF began the recovery operations. W3AHP, K3HIE and his son, W3DSG, WA3DSP, K3KNH, and W3VVS and son Fred arrived during the day for relief of hot and tired chasers. The airconditioning in the bus was a welcome change from the intense heat. Walkie talkies on channel one were used extensively for close contact with the mobiles. At 15:45 when the totals were handed in, 26 models had been returned either to the flight line or to their owners. Many tired modelers were carried to and from the fences by our cars as they moved from the flight line to the field perimeter. You might well ask, "What possible Public Service can this nonsense perform?" We can only say that the look of appreciation and the profuse thanks from an AMA Modeleer who has just been returned his aircraft, on which he has spent countless hours of construction, will justify our efforts. Models are flown in at least three trials during a day, and the return of a presumed lost aircraft allows the contestant to compete again. There is little doubt that many of these contestants will remember that an organization of amateur radio operators called Phil-Mont made their days of fun much easier.

de W3QQH

ED Note: Next summer the AMA Nationals contest will be held at Willow Grove and we will have an opportunity to serve the modelers during the entire week of the event. Several Phil-Monters save a day or more of their vacation so they can be on tap during the week. Plan on joining us for something different in hamming.

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COVER ART

The photographic rendition of our Fearless Leader on this month's cover permits WA3CNI to get completely away from things for a while. We heard several compliments about Sam's cover design of last month with an IC theme. We can consider ourselves extremely fortunate to not only have someone as talented as Sam, but one who will devote so much thought and time artwork for the Blurb. Have you ever contemplated the front cover of this rag without one of Sam's creations? And what about his topical cartoons on the inside cover? Now that he is established in his new QTH maybe some of his effort can be partially repaid by an antenna-raising party.

SCOOP

K3KNH had his Field Day slides at midmonth. Very nice pix... W3QQH has eliminated hum and close-range distortion from Comm Bus channel one rig... ED is always in need of material for Technigrams. If you have any novel circuits or ideas pertaining to mobile radio pass them along for publication. You could win the top \$1000 Blurbarama prize... W3WXC took some color Polaroid shots at MM but we forgot to look at them after the meeting... W3AES has been convention and hamfest hopping this summer... W3YHV had a business trip to New England then decided to take a vacation jaunt there in his new rolling palace... W3SPS has acquired a brand new RCA transistorized 2 meter rig for his car... W3ZLE diving into another new school year... WA3DMR contradicts the appliance tag popularly hung on present-day hams. Fred, after his weekly grind in NY, started right in building a TR switch for his CW rig... W3VVS is moving his shack to the basement and is already on from there on 6 meter FM. He's putting mobile rigs in new Capris. (ED note: Can this really be plural - Capris. That's the way it was on the dope sheet passed around at MMI)... Contrary to popular opinion, K3PHC does so have his 10 meter receiver turned on.

K3CEE vows never to return to NY City again. Seems his Rambler mobile was where a truck wanted to go, and the truck went where it wanted to go... W3GIF at Johnsville model plane meet worked W3QZO in Chestnut Hill with his walkie-talkie... K3GNJ will be mobile shortly with his Elmac. Needs a power supply - see this month's Swap and Shop... When you need a test transmission and a really long count, call on W3OWK and his buzzer... W3VVS recently gained notoriety as a contributor to an all-night radio program on WIP. Paul knew the identity of Super Rabbit's assistant, or some such tid bit. Another reason for sleeping at night... The QQH mansion is getting a coat of paint inside, courtesy of the XYL... W3DSG is in the market for a high-powered transistorized walkie-talkie. The \$18 tab for batteries used by his old tube job finally got to Ernie... 10-on-10 Net attendance has passed through the summer slump... W3QQH has licked the frequency response problem in his repeater, which will be in full operation soon. Plans call for a land line connection between the receiver and xmtr. For the improvement in communicating hereabouts, PMRC would do well to finance the Telco charges... W3QZO has joined the ranks of the Filthy Rich (or the Lazy Bums, whichever way you look at it) with his new Heathkit garage door opener... K3BJS, with station wagon loaded to the roof with radio gear for Ghana project was stopped by police in Germantown. He finally talked his way out of his spot, but he must have looked pretty suspicious... K3OJA says he intends to get mobile rig installed soon. Promises, promises... K3KNH is new check-in on 10-on-10... Not too much scoop this month. The BLURB has an early deadline for this edition.

SWAP AND SHOP

For Sale:	3EA 40-50 MC FM rcvrs., link 11UF ED3	\$10.00
	RCA 65 WT output base station in 6 ft.	
	cabinet with xtals for 52.525, tubes	
	and remote control	\$95.00
	RCA CNV-2 complete on 52.525	\$65.00
	Motorola LO band rcvr less tubes	5.00
	2 ea. Comco 220 MC units in	
	xcelent condx.	\$30.00
	I R HI band monitor	\$45.00
	Some Motorola and GE instr books	1.00

Lloyd Sherman, W3CDY, KI4-5864

Wanted: Power Supply for Elmac AF67-PMR7
combination. 110V AC/ 12V DC input.

Enie Bartol, K3GNJ, TU4-4340

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RTTY MARKS AND SPACES

In addition to W1AW, ARRL Bulletins and propagation forecasts are transmitted by W2QFR on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 2100 EDST on 3620 kHz, and on Saturdays and Sundays at 1100 EDST on 14.090 kHz. These transmissions give you a chance to test or demonstrate TTY gear with a good signal at times that are more convenient than the W1AW sked provides.

The Delaware Valley Green Keys have established the second Thursday of every month as their meeting night at the National Park, N.J. Boro Hall, Hessian and Lakehurst Avenues. Programs cover RTTY technical topics.

W3QQH has picked up additional WU tape equipment and will distribute it on the same basis as in the past.

The September issue of the RTTY Journal has a long article describing Irvin Hoff's new Mainline ST-3 demodulator. If you are interested in RTTY you should subscribe to this little paper. A one year (11 issues) subscription costs \$3.00. Address is P.O. Box 837 Royal Oak, Michigan 48068.

The BLURB may be the first ham paper with "computer comosition" when W3QQH gets his two meter beam horizontally polarized and starts sending Swap and Shop items direct to ED via RTTY.

TECHNIGRAM

PUBLIC SERVICE FREQUENCY ASSIGNMENTS IN NEAR-BY COMMUNITIES

The following list of police and fire frequencies was compiled by W3QQH. If you intend to use a crystal-controlled receiver for any of these services, verify the exact freq before ordering the rock. The list is only a guide and may not be completely accurate.

LOCATION	POLICE	FIRE
PENNA STATE POLICE	42.62	
NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE	44.94	
DELAWARE STATE POLICE	45.02	
DELAWARE COUNTY	39.82	46.42
MONTGOMERY COUNTY	45.46	33.70
		154.13
BUCKS COUNTY	155.13	46.10
	155.37	46.14
	155.43	
PHILADELPHIA	453.15	154.235
	453.35	153.950
	453.75	170.15
PENNA. TURNPIKE	159.045	
	159.075	
ABINGTON TWP.	39.18	154.13
WILLOW GROVE	39.28	154.13
CHELTENHAM TWP.	158.85	154.13
LANSDOWNE	39.50	
LOWER MERION TWP.	158.73	33.70
UPPER DARBY	159.09	154.19
HAVERFORD TWP.	39.90	
WAYNE	155.25	33.90
TREDYFFRIN TWP.	45.62	33.90
NORRISTOWN	37.18	154.37
WILLOW GROVE N.A.S.		
TOWER	340.2	
NAVY GCA	270.6	
A.F. GCA	363.8	
UNIV. NAVY CRASH	40.82	

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